

# ALLEGED WIDOW'S CLAIMS SPURNED.

## Dr. Roder's Friends Repudiate the Strange Woman's Demands.

### DENTIST DIED SUDDENLY.

#### His Father and Friends Deny That the Dead Man Ever Married.

#### OF GOOD SOUTHERN FAMILY.

#### Philadelphia Contestant Vanishes After Seeing the Effects at the Hotel Americus and Learning Their Small Value.

Hardly had the apparent mystery surrounding the sudden death of Dr. Charles A. Roder, at the Hotel Americus, been cleared up by an autopsy than a new complication...

# SAID THIS BOY STOLE A \$6 STOVE

## But Magistrate Kudlich Thought Hickethier Too Weak to Have Carried It Off and Discharged Him.

His name was Louis Hickethier, a youth of sixteen years, a German youth who stood before the Yorkville Court in tears. When Magistrate Kudlich looked up and said: "Wherefore is this?" "Upon the spot, I wish," "What with the scared defendant said with a meddlesome air. And the Judge beguiled looked up and smiled. In his easy, wheezy chair. Then up spoke Mr. Gustav Korn. Like a knight of old spoke he; Oh, his voice he found and his horn he wound. In a wild romantic key: "By the great gods, on Sunday morn In my cellar I went to rove, And suddenly mist, from my storage list, A six-dollar kitchen stove. Give back the stove thou stolest, I To the four stone walls did cling; To reply never they deigned, so my wrath I unchained. And vengeance unfolded her wing; This police heard the story in all its glory— "Eftsoons," said the corp sergent, And he sent like the wind the efficient and kind. And courteous Detective Green, Who sallied along like the heat of song When the bobolink charms the grove, And very soon caught Hickethier joy-truant Redhead by the red-hot stove. "It is too absurd," said the Judge when he heard The curious story told. "The defendant's too slim and too weak of limb To lift that stove hot or cold. If accomplices he had none, I see, So the prisoner is discharged." And he went away in a manner gay With his vision of joy enlarged. And now, by Jove, at the six-dollar stove He sits in the night's still watches, while the kettle's steam be-sculptures his dream With a vista of red-hot scotchies. R. K. MUNKITTRICK.

# News and Gossip of the Theatres.

Katherine Grey, the well-known actress, is quite ill at her apartments in the Hotel San Remo.

A cablegram received in this city last night stated that Edward E. Rose, adapter of "Under the Red Robe" and "The Prisoner of Zenda," was seriously ill in London.

Miss Nellie Melba sails for this country on the Majestic to-day.

Ballard, "the Iowa Bard," will not return to his farm without a New York hearing. Yesterday he was engaged to appear at the Theatre Palace during the week beginning March 3.

Tyrone Power has succeeded Edwin Stevens as Pocket in "The Magistrate" at Daly's Theatre.

D'Emery's powerful romantic drama, "The Two Orphans," has just begun a week's engagement at the Star. The story of this popular play is of heart interest and abounds in thrilling incidents. Though the piece has been before the public for many years, interest in it does not appear to have materially decreased. The large audience that witnessed the performance last night may be taken as a criterion. It was hailed with frequent bursts of genuine applause and tears and laughter alternated throughout the evening. Kate Claxton gave her

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# SALT COMBINE SHOWS ITS HAND.

## Makes a Bold Bid to Get Control of the State Salt Lands.

### SENATOR WHITE'S BILL.

#### It Provides for the Sale of the Property and Favors Those of the Trust.

#### BIG WAR AGAINST THE GRAB.

#### It Will Be Attacked When Information Required by the Palmer Resolution Is Placed Before the Legislature.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 23.—The Salt combine made a bold bid for its spoils to-day, when Senator White introduced in the Senate the bill providing for the sale of the State salt lands under conditions favoring the combine.

The warfare against the inroads of the combination, exposed in the Journal, was also fairly started in the Legislature by the Assembly's adoption of a resolution asking the Land Board to tell the Legislature about the sales of the salt lands, conducted under such suspicious circumstances. The resolution asking the Land Board to give the information was introduced by Assemblyman Palmer (Democrat), of Schenectady. He asked for immediate consideration, and there was no opposition. The Senate members sat behind Mr. Palmer, but they did not appreciate the importance of the resolution and let it be unanimously adopted.

Assemblyman Ives, who is interested in the Bates bill, providing for a State Commission to operate the State salt springs, congratulated Mr. Palmer on getting the resolution through. He said: "They have grabbed up 300 acres of the salt lands already, and it ought to be stopped."

The Palmer resolution asks for a lot of information calculated to throw much light on the operations which have divested the State of much of the valuable salt lands for a trifle in recompense. Should any direct evidence be needed to establish the fact that the salt manufacturers want to buy salt lands from the State, and if possible get the best of the bargain, the bill of Senator White furnishes the proof.

After he had introduced the bill Senator White was asked to tell the reasons for its introduction. He answered: "Merely to stop the waste of the State's money in maintaining the reservation."

The bill will be attacked when the information from the Land Board, as required by the Palmer resolution, places the matter plainly before the Legislature. Mr. Ives, fearful that the Palmer resolution is not sufficiently sweeping, will introduce another and more comprehensive one on Monday night.

### GEN. WOODFORD EXPLAINS

#### Thought He Was Talking to Politicians When He Spoke Against Tammany.

General Stewart L. Woodford explained, yesterday, his attack on Tammany Hall at the Washington's Birthday gathering at the Colonial Club Monday night, which has given offence to Colonel William L. Brown, of this city. General Woodford says: "Late on Monday afternoon I was told that General Woodford had been invited to speak in his place at the Colonial Club on the proposed charter of the Greater New York. I had been a member of the Commission to prepare the charter, and I seemed ungenerous to decline. I made such preparation as I could on such brief notice, and reached the club at 10 o'clock, just as coffee was being served. I was under the impression that the Colonial Club was a social club."

### IN HER PRINCETON HOME.

#### Mrs. Cleveland, with Her Three Daughters and Her Mother, Arrive at the Bayard Avenue Place.

Mrs. Cleveland, accompanied by her three little girls, Ruth, Marion and Esther, and her mother, Mrs. Perrine, arrived at Princeton by special car yesterday afternoon at 3:55 o'clock. They were met at the station by Professor Andrew F. West, of Princeton University, who has been President Cleveland's representative in Princeton real estate transactions. A large crowd of townspeople gathered at the railroad station to see the first lady of the United States.

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# KOERNER SHOT HER AS SHE RAN.

## Shattering Blow to the Artist's Defence for Killing His Sweetheart.

### A WITNESS JUST FOUND.

#### Mrs. Clay Destroys the Theory That the Young Man Was Attempting Suicide.

#### SAW HIM PURSUE THE GIRL.

#### Tells How Rose Redgate Was Slain While Fleeing—The Testimony All in and Final Arguments To-day.

The taking of testimony in the Koerner murder trial came to an abrupt and dramatic close at noon yesterday after a witness had told for the first time the actual circumstances that attended the firing of the first and fatal shot.

The witness was Mrs. Mary J. Clay, a handsome young widow, well dressed and refined, who lives at No. 44 Seventh avenue. She was so evidently desirous of telling the truth that she was treated with great respect by prosecution and defence alike. She explained that she had not previously come forward because, womanlike, she had hoped to keep out of a murder trial.

On the evening of the murder Rose Redgate, the sweetheart of Koerner, was on her way to visit a friend at No. 46 Seventh avenue. Not until yesterday was it even suspected that she reached the house and received the first shot on the steps leading up to the front stoop.

Mrs. Clay's evidence was to the effect that she was approaching her own door when she saw Koerner and Rose Redgate on the stoop of No. 46. The girl screamed, and ran down the steps in front of him, and, running after her, fired a shot from a revolver which she was still on the steps. The couple then rushed together to near the corner of Fourteenth street, only one hundred feet away, where the two fatal shots were fired.

Attorney Levy moved that this evidence be stricken out, on the ground that it was not in rebuttal. He was overruled, and the cross-examination, failed to shake in any degree the strong evidence of Mrs. Clay.

### Worse for Koerner.

Koerner's physical condition, recalled, testified that the shot that killed the girl entered the shoulder from above, exactly as if it had been fired by some one standing on a step above her.

The prosecution closed and the defence then scored an important victory by succeeding in having the Judge throw out all of the evidence given on Thursday by Dr. Ward, the Tomb's physician, relating to Koerner's conduct in his cell. Then the defence announced that they were through, and the final argument was given by the District Attorney O'Connell himself.

The case for the prosecution, while Attorney Levy will argue the defence. It is probable that, by to-night, the prisoner will know the jury's decision.

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land on her arrival, and the Cleveland party were the exposure of many curious eyes as they stepped from their private car to the platform.

Mrs. Cleveland was attractively dressed in a travelling garment of dark brown material. Five servants were in attendance. Two of them were nurses. The party was immediately driven to the new Cleveland home on Bayard avenue. For several weeks the family have been busily engaged in preparing the house for occupancy, but the furnishing is still incomplete. Mrs. Cleveland will spend the week during the next week, after which she will return to Washington to attend the inaugural ceremonies, leaving the children in care of their nurses.

President Cleveland has not yet equipped his Princeton stables. After March 4 the horses and carriages will be brought from Washington. It is stated upon good authority that the President has sold his New York residence and will make Princeton his permanent home.

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